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Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

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AN OFFICE TO LET.  
Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

## TO LET.

NO. 4, and 5, PROHIM TERRACE, ELGIN STREET.  
Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

## TO LET.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.  
House Nos. 2 and 3, Peddar's Hill.  
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DAVID SARSON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

## TO LET.

THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1, D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Three Offices, in Club Chambers. The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.  
Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, January 9, 1878.

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A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 302.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D., Erlangen.  
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To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALKER, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

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BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM COAL for Sale, ex Godown.  
Apply to BATTLE & Co.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

#### WASHING BOOKS.

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CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

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&c., &c., &c.  
Hongkong, January 3, 1878.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.  
MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.  
Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

NOTICE.  
THE Business hitherto conducted in my name will from this Date be carried on under the Style of GROSSMANN & Co., Mr. G. A. GROSSMANN having become a Partner therein.

C. F. GROSSMANN.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE.  
MR. BERNHARD SCHMACKER is authorized to Sign our Firm by procuration.

CARLOWITZ & Co.  
Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE.  
MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from this Date.

MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE.  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JOSEPH PERROTT BARNES in our Firm in China CEASES from this Date.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, December 31, 1877.

NOTICE.  
MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.  
I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS.  
Hongkong, December 28, 1877.

NOTICE.  
I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

J. Y. VERNON SHAW.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.  
I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS, ENGINEERS and BOILERMAKERS, by

WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co., Late Manager of the NEWCASTLE IRON WORKS, Hongkong.

WM. DUNPHY.  
Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

## Intimations.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

PARCELS EXPRESS AGENCY, in connection with WHEATLEY & Co., LONDON. Packages Received for transmission to Great Britain by each P. & O. Mail; Charges can be Collected either here or in England. The following particulars of Packages are required.—Contents, Value, Address of Consignee, and whether Insurance be desired.

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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

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Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

### HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

COMMENCING TO-DAY, the Macao Steamer will leave Hongkong at 2 p.m., and Macao at 8 a.m.

By Order, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

### HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-third Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Office of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 25th January Instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing a Director and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878.

### HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878.

### HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hotel on FRIDAY, the 25th January instant, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts.

By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

### HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 15th instant, inclusive.

Persons collecting Dividends for absent Shareholders are requested to exhibit their Powers of Attorney for registry at this Office.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

SHANGHAI, January 7th, 1878.

IN Accordance with a Resolution passed at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of July 5th, 1877, the Directors have declared a Dividend to Shareholders of Tael 48 50 per Share for the fiscal Year ending the 30th September, 1877, and a further Dividend of Tael 10 50 per Share, being interest on Shareholders' Capital at the Rate of 12 per cent. per Annum, for the quarter ending December, 1877.

The above Dividends (Tael 60 per Share) will be Payable on the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Secretaries to Shareholders of record on the 10th Instant.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 15th Instant, inclusive.

Persons collecting Dividends for absent Shareholders are requested to exhibit their Powers of Attorney for registry at this Office.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

### DENTAL NOTICE.

D. W. C. EASTLACK will Commence Practice in Hongkong, on the 20th Instant.

Hongkong, January 15, 1878.

### DENTAL NOTICE.

D. ROGERS begs to say that he has RETURNED, and is now ready to receive Patients.

Hongkong, November 22, 1877.

### NOTICE.

D. STOUT expects to Leave the Colony PERMANENTLY about the 20th of January, 1878.

Hongkong, December 22, 1877.

### NOTICE.

A. MILLAR & Co., PLUMBERS, and GAS FITTERS, Queen's Road East, HONGKONG.

September 15, 1877.

### SHIP'S COMPRAHORE AND STEVEDORE.

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Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

### NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI, January 7th, 1878.

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## Intimations.

### G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

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46, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW. The Steamship "TAIWAN," Captain M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Day-light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

FOR HOIHOW & HAIPHONG. The Steamship "ALBANY," Capt. F. ANTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Day-light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 14, 1877.

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA," will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to J. Y. V. SHAW, Agent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The Steamship "GALLEY OF LORNE," expected from SINGAPORE, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 10, 1878.

## Sailing Vessels.

FOR HAMBURG (DIRECT.) The A 1 German Bark "JURGEN," WENDT, Master, will load here and meet with quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, December 23, 1877.

FOR NAGASAKI. The A 1 American Barkentine "ANNIE S. HALL," NELSON, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Barkentine "MARION," R. HOWES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "E. F. WATSON," HAWKINS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 3, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Clipper Ship "OLLIVANT," SINCEWELT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, December 26, 1877.

FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON. The A 1 British Ship "ONIDA," S. OLIVA, Master, having 3/4ths of her Cargo engaged, will load here as above, and will be despatched on or about the 31st December.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

## Shipping.

### Sailing Vessels.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 Clipper Bark "GOLDEN RUSSETT," RICHARDSON, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, November 23, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The 100 A 1 British Ship "BROOMHALL," H. BATE, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 7, 1878.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

GERMAN STEAMER GALATEA, BISM, Master, FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed, that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Under- signed, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 17th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless written notice to the contrary is given until To-morrow, the 11th Inst., at 11 a.m.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 10, 1878.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. MONGOLIA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the Steamers PESHAWUR from London, and HINDOSTAN from Calcutta, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 22nd Instant will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1878.

### FROM LONDON AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE S. S. Cyphrenes having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 21st Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given by 4 p.m. To-day.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents, S. S. Cyphrenes.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

### CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Norwegian Bark VEGA, NORDBY, Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.



## Intimations.

**AFONG,**  
PHOTOGRAPHER,  
by appointment, to  
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,  
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;  
and to  
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS  
OF RUSSIA,  
Wynham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.

**H**AS on hand the Largest and Best  
collection of Views of China, Pho-  
tographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of  
assorted sizes. Ex S. S. Tyne, Revolving  
Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms  
and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather,  
Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and  
Frames, also Albums for Cabinet Portraits  
only. Portraits of the Generals of the pre-  
sent Russo-Turkish War, eminent British  
Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassadors,  
in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes.  
Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.  
Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

**KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,**  
COAL MERCHANTS,  
Have always on hand for Sale every  
description of COAL at Moderate Prices.  
Mr. Anson has been appointed Manager,  
and all Orders addressed to him at 67,  
Praya, or to Mr. Far Jock, at 30, Hing  
Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-  
tion.  
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. mel9

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR HAIPHONG (DIRECT.)**  
The Steamship  
"HOLYROOD,"  
J. Peters, Master, will be de-  
parted for the above Port  
on FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at 5 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.  
Hongkong, January 16, 1878. jal8

## Not Responsible for Debts.

**Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for any  
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew  
of the following Vessels, during their stay  
in Hongkong Harbour:**

**FORMOSA**, German 8-m. schooner, Capt.  
Schweizer. — Melchers & Co.  
**ANNIE S. HALL**, American barque, Capt.  
Chas. H. Nelson. — Captain.  
**BIRKEN**, British ship, Captain W. Rey-  
nolds. — Order.  
**GLENNFUTCH**, British barque, Capt. Lang.  
— Chinese.  
**VESTA**, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks.  
— Melchers & Co.  
**R. O. RICHMOND**, German ship, Captain  
R. O. Stolt. — Wm. Pustau & Co.  
**FRANCON**, British barque, Captain H. D.  
W. Schulz. — Wierler & Co.  
**ADRIANA** & **MARIANNE**, German barque,  
Captain C. N. Dahl. — Wm. Pustau & Co.  
**WARRIOR**, British barque, Capt. William  
Baumann. — Wierler & Co.  
**QUICKSTEP**, American barque, Captain  
Barnaby. — Captain.  
**TARTAR**, German brig, Captain Kaemena.  
— Melchers & Co.  
**MARCOA**, British steamer, Capt. J. H.  
Brooker. — Siemsen & Co.  
**VELOCITY**, British barque, Captain R.  
Martin. — Wm. Pustau & Co.  
**ABERNETHY**, British barque, Captain  
Congour. — Order.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Jan. 16, *Abernethy*, British barque, 728,  
Congour, Liverpool July 13, Coal.—  
Order.  
Jan. 16, *G. H. Wappius*, German ship,  
from Whampoa.  
Jan. 16, *Antipodes*, British barque, from  
Whampoa.

## DEPARTURES.

Jan. 16, *Christina*, for Whampoa.  
16, *Thing Yung*, Ohl. g.b., for a  
cruise.  
16, *Bombay*, for Yokohama.  
16, *Cyphrenes*, for Shanghai.

## CLEARED.

*Alexandria*, for Chetoo.  
R. O. Richmond, for Diamond Island.  
*Birken*, for Manila.  
*Taiwan*, for Coast Ports.  
*Washi*, for Haiphong.  
*Cassandra*, for Saigon.  
*Bonar*, for Whampoa.  
*St. Andrews*, for San Francisco.  
*Sophie D.*, for Hilo.

## PASSENGERS.

Per *Bombay*, for Yokohama, Mrs Wood  
and infant, Messrs P. Howard, Lim Poh  
and Sing Koye.

## To DEPART.

Per *Geelong*, from Shanghai, for South-  
ampton, Mr W. A. Paynter. From Yoko-  
hama, for Southampton, Mrs Hartley, 3  
children and nat. female servant, and Mrs.  
Emile, for Brindisi. Mr A. G. Mackay.  
From Hongkong, for Suva, Mr O. L.  
Phillips, for Southampton, Mr H. O. R.  
for Madras 8 gun launch.  
Per *Taiwan*, for Coast Ports, 200 Chi-  
nese.  
Per *Washi*, for Hoilow, 2 Europeans,  
and 60 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

## Notes.

**CARGO.**  
Per *S. S. Geelong*, for London, 5,625  
boxes, 101 half-chests and 880 pkgs Tea,  
200 bales Raw Silk, 85 bales Waste Silk,  
29 cases Silk Piece Goods, and 166 pkgs.  
Burdies; for Continent, 147 bales Raw  
Silk, 8 cases Silk Piece Goods, 125 bales  
Cocoons, 8 bales Waste Silk, and 33 pkgs.  
Burdies; for Boston, 473 boxes, 208 half-  
pkgs and 21 pkgs. Tea.

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

## MAILS will close:—

For HOIHOW and HAIPHONG, with  
Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi.—  
Per *Albany*, at 8.30 p.m. To-morrow, the  
17th inst., instead of as previously  
notified.

For MANILA.—  
Per ship *Birken*, at 4 p.m. To-morrow,  
the 17th inst.

For HAIPHONG and HANOI.—  
Per *Zamboanga*, at 4.30 p.m., on Thurs-  
day, the 17th inst.

For SWATOW.—  
Per *Norma*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the  
17th inst.

For HAIPHONG & HANOI.—  
Per *Washi*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the  
17th inst., instead of as previously  
notified.

Per *Holyrood*, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday,  
the 18th inst.

For MANILA.—  
Per *Emeralda*, at 4 p.m., on Saturday,  
the 19th inst.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—**  
The English Contract Packet *GREENGL*  
will be despatched with the Mails for  
Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the  
17th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing  
the Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 18th Instant.—  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.  
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night  
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 17th Instant.—  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale  
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and  
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra  
Postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)  
addressed to the United Kingdom  
Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,  
till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally  
closed.

Hongkong, January 7, 1878. jal7

## MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *City of*  
*Peking* will be despatched on SATUR-  
DAY, the 19th instant, with Mails  
for Japan, San Francisco, and the  
United States, which will be closed as  
follows:—

11 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11.30 a.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters  
(except for Non-Union Countries) may  
be posted on board the Packet with  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage  
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies  
(except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa  
Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New  
Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can  
no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, January 12, 1878. jal9

## MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *TIGRE* will  
be despatched from Hongkong on  
THURSDAY, the 24th Inst. with  
Mails to and through the United  
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-  
seilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata-  
via, Galle, Australia, New Zea-  
land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-  
chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva,  
and Alexandria. This is the best  
opportunity for forwarding Corre-  
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,  
St. Helena, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA  
by this Packet but can be paid only  
as far as Ceylon. The postage to  
Ceylon must be prepaid. Such let-  
ters should be marked *Post to Galle*  
only; they will go on from Galle as  
unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing  
the Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 23rd Inst.—  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post  
Office closes except the Night Box,  
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 24th Inst.—  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of  
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and  
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)  
except those to and through Australia,  
may be posted on payment of a  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,  
till

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes  
entirely.

Hongkong, January 10, 1878. jal24

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Daylight.—*Taiwan* leaves for Coast Ports.

Daylight.—*Albany* leaves for Hoilow, &c.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports  
of Call and Europe.

Goods per *Galates* undelivered after this  
date subject to rent.

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18.—  
5 p.m.—*Holyrood* leaves for Haiphong.

SATURDAY, January 19.—  
Noon.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-  
hama and San Francisco.

Noon.—*Emeralda* leaves for Manila.

MONDAY, January 21.—  
Goods per *Cyphrenes* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, January 22.—  
Goods per *Mongolia* undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 25.—  
8 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the  
H. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited,  
at No. 50 A, Queen's Road.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the  
H. K. Hotel Co., Limited, at Hong-  
kong Hotel.

FRIDAY, February 1.—  
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s  
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San  
Francisco.

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Kiangsi.Translations of Chinese School-books.  
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Distillation in China.  
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## THE CHINA MAIL.

## HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16, 1878.

THE last but probably, to Hongkong  
readers, the most interesting report in  
the bulky volume of trade reports just  
issued by order of the Inspector General  
of Customs, is that of Mr Edward  
McKean, the Acting Commissioner of  
Customs at Hoilow. We have described  
the report as the most interesting one  
to Hongkong readers, because this  
Colony will no doubt be chiefly con-  
cerned in the development of the trade  
of the Island, and so very little has  
been made known up to the present  
moment either in regard to what has  
actually been done in the way of trade  
since the port was opened to  
foreigners, or the commercial prospects  
of the place. As the place was only  
opened on the 1st April in 1876, Mr  
McKean's report only extends over a  
period of nine months, to the end of the  
year. The Acting Commissioner deals  
in the first place with the question of  
the accessibility of the harbour, and it  
is satisfactory to learn that the notions  
prevailing at the opening of the port as  
to the risks of entering the harbour were  
in the main incorrect. This is what  
Mr McKean says on the point:—

There is no danger or difficulty in entering  
the port from the west, beyond what may be  
occasioned by a very strong current. From  
the east, however, it would be still premature  
to say that access is easy for all kinds of  
vessels. It has been demonstrated that  
more than one channel, both deep and wide  
and well defined, exists, and that the con-  
ditions of sandbanks which for so long  
were believed to block up the entrance of  
the Hainan Straits on the east do not  
generally exist. That some sandbanks  
exist, is undoubted, but vessels have gone  
straight out to sea from Hainan Head  
without crossing shoals, and have made for  
the same place in coming to the port without  
incurring what the captains believed to be  
undue risks. There exists, some five miles  
to the north of the Taya Islands, which are,  
I understand, very conspicuous, a channel,  
round about it is true, but safe and spacious,  
and as easily found as any route of the kind  
can be. I am incompetent to describe the  
channel, but I trust that in due time a  
chart of it, published in detail and by au-  
thority, will be forthcoming for the informa-  
tion of shipmasters.

The *Washi* and the *Eastern Isles* seem  
to have been the only vessels that called  
at the port until the end of June, but  
after that month other and larger  
steamers made their way thither. Alto-  
gether during the nine months there  
entered and cleared 88 steamships of  
18,883 tons total capacity. The most  
valuable item in the import trade was  
opium, of which 621 piculs were im-  
ported. This commodity pays a total  
taxation of Tls. 50 a picul, the whole  
being levied as soon as the opium is  
landed. There is no transit duty. The  
value of the opium imported is estimat-  
ed at Tls. 195,280; that of other foreign  
imports, chiefly cotton goods, at Tls.  
108,888; and that of the native imports  
at Tls. 64,483, making a total valuation  
of Tls. 368,651. The staple of the ex-  
port trade is sugar, the quantity ex-  
ported in foreign vessels during the nine  
months having amounted to 93,141  
piculs, having the whole of which came  
to Hongkong. About 60,000 piculs are  
also estimated to have been exported in

junks. A local official had estimated the  
annual export of sugar from the opposite  
peninsula of Loichow at 140,000 piculs  
in a good season, and Mr McKean thinks  
that in time all the sugar, not only of  
the opposite peninsula, but of the out-  
ports of the island will leave Hoilow in  
steamers to the detriment of the junk  
trade. Besides sugar there is a very  
extensive cultivation of ground-nuts,  
with the consequent manufacture of  
betel-nuts, sesamum seed, lung-ngans,  
and hemp. The value of the entire export  
trade, as done by foreign vessels, is  
estimated at Tls. 318,498.

The only foreign firm established at  
Hoilow in 1876 was that of Mr E.  
Horton, a British subject. The Chinese  
merchants, by whom almost all the trade  
was done, were organised as a body into  
a kind of Chamber of Commerce, and  
met in a large building to settle market  
prices. In regard to the boat people,  
and the coolies, Mr McKean makes the  
following interesting observations.

**THE BOAT PEOPLE.**—The boats here, than  
which it would be hard to find vessels better  
suited to ply between the town and the an-  
chorage, number about 140, and are roughly  
divisible into three classes, those of about  
110 piculs, those of about 60 piculs and those  
of about 35 piculs burden respectively. They  
are extremely strongly built, are flat-bot-  
tomed, and have each a movable centre-  
board, capable of being lowered two feet  
below the bottom of the boat, which not  
only enables them to take to perfection in  
deep water, but by being let down, acts as  
an anchor in shoal water.

There is a boat guild, as we call it; it is  
rather an organization for mutual defence  
than a combination to force a tariff. I am  
told that all comers from certain large  
villages at the eastern end of the Hoilow  
creek, but no others, have the right to ply  
this vocation. For the monopoly thus guar-  
anteed the boats can be used for government  
work without remuneration.

The organization has a staff of officers, as to  
speak, two head boatmen and an accom-  
pant. The head boatmen go about to the  
various hongs to ascertain what employment  
there is. They exercise a disciplinary influ-  
ence and have a power of a certain kind,  
an appeal made to them will most  
likely result in the stoppage of the misbe-  
haviour complained of. So far as I can  
learn there is perfect free trade within the  
organization. A boat gets what it bargains  
for and can take as little as it feels inclined  
to; but the head boatmen get fees on the  
carriage of certain goods, and 2 cash a bag  
on all sugar carried is paid into a fund for  
the benefit of the decepted. There are also,  
I have been told, six shrines in the boatmen's  
villages which have to be kept going out of  
common funds, besides theatrical perform-  
ances at stated periods, and other similar  
semi-religious observances.

**COOLIES.**—These people, who carry cargo  
and baggage from boats to hongs and from  
hongs to boats, number about 170, and are,  
like the boat people, organized. What one  
would suppose to be the commonest voca-  
tion a human being can resort to, requiring no  
greater preparedness than a carrying pole  
and the strength and trifling skill to wield  
it, is yet at this port a calling not to be  
engaged in unless by men of some substance.

The coolie guild, as we call it, admits,  
I am told, all comers who can pay an  
entrance fee of \$13. The monopoly is  
sanctioned officially in an indirect way, and  
in return the services of the coolies are liable  
to be requisitioned to do government work  
unpaid.

The climate had so far proved healthy  
to the Europeans stationed there, and the  
inhabitants—with the exception of those  
of one village, whose avocation as  
junkmen was to some extent encroached  
upon and imperilled by the foreign  
steamers—had on the whole behaved  
with great civility. The women are the  
principal labourers everywhere, and Mr  
McKean mentions that they are possessed  
with a ridiculous fear of foreigners, the  
sight of whom often starts a whole  
company to flight to the abandonment of  
bag and baggage. With the exception  
of mutton, all kinds of meat are abundant,  
good and cheap. The report will, we  
think, be regarded as a satisfactory one  
on the whole.

The recent telegrams from Europe are  
said to have had a very appreciable  
effect on the share market here, especially  
the one stating that the whole of the  
Mediterranean Squadron had been or-  
dered to rendezvous at the Levant. It  
would seem from late mail advices that  
several vessels of the Squadron assem-  
bled in Besika Bay had been permitted  
to proceed to Malta and elsewhere to  
winter, and, if we interpret the telegram  
rightly, it simply means that, in view of  
the passage of the Balkans by the Rus-  
sians, the British Government deem it  
desirable to have the whole of the fleet  
once more in the Levant to land in-  
fluences to British interests at Constan-  
tinople, stand guard over that city, or  
prevent by its presence the occurrence  
of any financial outbursts against  
Christians on the part of the Mahomme-  
dan population at the various Levantine  
ports. The Levant is rather a vague  
rendezvous, as it includes the sea coast  
from the Dardanelles to Port Said.

What share a British fleet would be able  
or permitted to take in the defence  
of Constantinople is not very easy to  
conjecture, and remains to be demon-  
strated. The telegram we publish to-day  
stating that two of the Indian troop-ships  
passing Malta are ordered to remain  
at that port is even more significant.  
It at least shows that the British  
Government entertains some apprehen-  
sion that it may become quickly involved  
in a struggle with Russia not many  
hundreds of miles away from Constan-  
tinople, unless indeed the protection of the  
Suez Canal is the object in view. We  
are however little inclined to believe  
England will become involved in the  
war. Kessanlik, where a Turkish  
Minister has just gone to arrange an  
armistice, is a town at the entrance to  
the Bosphorus on the Roumelian side  
of the Balkans.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]  
(By Southern Route.)

## THE WAR.

LONDON, 15th Jan., 1878.

The whole of the Mediterranean Squadron  
has been ordered to rendezvous at the  
Levant.

A strong feeling of irritation against  
England exists at Constantinople among the  
Muslim population.

The Russians have completely invested  
Erzeroum.

LONDON, 14th Jan., 1878.

The troops going homeward in the Indian  
troop-ship *Junna*, and those coming outward  
in the *Euphrates* have been detained at  
Malta.

Servier Namyk has started for Kessanlik  
to treat about the armistice.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Two gunboats *Fly* and *Swinger* went out  
on a trial trip this morning and returned  
to the Harbour this afternoon.

We have to acknowledge receipt of a  
pamphlet entitled, "Dates and Events  
connected with the History of Education in  
Hongkong. Hongkong: Printed at St.  
Lewis Reformatory, 1877." The sketch  
covers the ground of twenty years, from  
1857 to 1877. It is signed "J. T.," which  
we presume means Bishop Raimond.

The "CHARTER OAK" AFFAIR.

A Kyfong meeting took place to-day in  
the Tung Wah Hospital in reference to this  
matter. There were present about 100  
Chinese of all classes, consisting of some of  
the present Committee, ex-Committee, and  
members of the Hospital, and many of the  
Kyfong (the Chinese community generally),  
besides 30 or 40 intending passengers by  
the *Charter Oak*. The charterer Lum Ping  
and his agents the Shang Wo Tai Hong,  
were also present.

Mr Wong Kwan Tong acted as spokes-  
man and opened the meeting by stating  
that last Sunday there was a meeting in  
reference to the emigration to Honolulu.  
It appeared that four letters had been sent  
to this Hospital by Chinese in Honolulu,  
intimating that all the horrors of coolie  
slavery were existing there. The letters  
would be read and would speak for  
themselves. Meantime rumours were  
abroad that emigration to the Sandwich  
Islands was being carried on here. These  
reached the ears of the Government, and  
the Hon. O. C. Smith, Registrar General,  
sent Lai Shik Kai (the kidnapping detec-  
tive) to the Hospital to fetch those letters,  
and they were forwarded on to H.E. the  
Governor, who refused to allow the *Charter*  
*Oak* to proceed, as there were circumstances  
which seemed to him to be suspicious. The  
intending passengers paid some \$35, and  
others \$3 each as passage money, while  
their tickets stated the sum to be \$45.  
As to the \$3 men, they actually paid no  
passage whatever, the \$3 being only to  
pay for their food on board. At the meet-  
ing last Sunday, the charterer's agent came  
forward and explained that \$35 was the  
amount of the passage money he charged,  
so that so far as he was concerned, the men  
who paid \$35 were free passengers who  
paid their own passage; as to the \$3 men,  
they were to give a promissory note for  
\$45, payable in six months after arrival;  
that the men would not have to enter into  
contracts at Honolulu, and that he would  
give security that the men would be free  
on landing. And he asked the Govern-  
ment to petition the Governor on his behalf  
to move His Excellency to allow the ship  
to proceed. On the day following, Mr Lee  
Tuk Cheong and the charterer had an  
interview with the Governor, when  
His Excellency expressed a wish to see the  
Committee. So accordingly thirteen gen-  
tlemen waited on His Excellency yesterday  
afternoon. At this interview the Committee  
asked if His Excellency would allow the  
vessel to proceed on the security pro-  
posed. His Excellency said his object was  
the same as that of the Committee, in  
protecting ignorant coolies from being  
badly used in foreign lands, and if the  
Committee were satisfied that the men  
would not be ill-used and made a report  
to him to that effect after enquiries and  
discussion among themselves, he would  
then take the matter into consideration.  
He wished them particularly to ascertain  
also whether they believed the letters  
they received were genuine or not, and  
make a report to him. The Commit-  
tee then asked if the \$3 men were  
left out, whether His Excellency would  
allow the \$35 men to proceed. His Excel-  
lency replied that that would also be a  
matter for consideration. The Committee  
asked that in case of security being given  
by the charterer, what sort of security  
should it be. His Excellency replied that  
he would leave that to the Committee, but  
it was most important that they should  
give an opinion as to the character of the  
letters. Now in pursuance of His Excel-

lency's wish, the Committee thought it ad-  
visable to convene a public meeting of the  
whole Chinese Community to discuss the  
matter to-day. The first thing they should  
do now was to give an opinion on the  
character of the letters which would be read  
and then exhibited for scrutiny. After that  
the speaker would propose that a ballot of  
those present should be taken; those who  
believed the letters to be genuine would put  
their votes into one box, and those who  
disbelieved them into another. When that  
was done, they would discuss the form of  
security, and the Committee would after-  
wards draw up a report to the Governor.

The Secretary to the Hospital then read  
the four letters, which were pasted out on  
boards.

The Spokesman next put it to the meet-  
ing whether any one had any objection to  
a ballot being taken on the letters.

Two or three members here spoke at  
once, and one was heard to say that any one  
hearing the letters would be moved by the  
sad statements given therein, and allow  
himself to be carried away by sentiment to  
ballot in favour of them without taking  
the trouble to ascertain whether they were  
genuine or not. He thought a ballot like  
this was no criterion.

No one, however, actually opposed the  
ballot, and it was proceeded with. The  
result was, all those who voted were in  
favour of the letters, none declining to  
vote on either side, but none against them.

While the ballot was being taken a great  
deal of conversation took place among those  
present on the subject of emigration to  
Honolulu, some for and some against it.

The security question was then discussed  
in the midst of the general conversation.  
The charterer's agents, the Kwong Sang Tai  
Hong, were willing to pledge that the \$3



Berrin, G. B. S.  
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Ports, Southampton,  
and London,  
Also,  
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and  
Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
GRIFFIN, Captain FRASER, will leave  
this on THURSDAY, the 17th January,  
at Noon.  
For further Particulars, apply to  
A. LIND, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, January 7, 1878. jsl7

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

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THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF  
PEKING will be despatched for San  
Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATUR-  
DAY, the 19th January, at Noon, taking  
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the  
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-  
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Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central  
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A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER  
CENT on regular rates is granted to  
OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY,  
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CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISS-  
SION.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m., 15th January. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the office until 6 p.m.  
same day; all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full; value of same  
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland  
Cargo should be sent to the Company's  
Offices in sealed envelopes, addressed to the  
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.  
For further information as to Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 31, 1877. jsl9

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TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
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and  
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RAILROAD COMPANIES  
AND  
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-  
spatched for San Francisco via Yoko-  
hama, on FRIDAY, the 1st February,  
at 2 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for  
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on board until  
4 p.m. of the 31st January. PARCEL  
PACKAGES will be received at the Office  
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-  
SAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878. jsl

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE  
Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100  
characters, and one cent a character  
beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and  
half price for repetitions during the first  
week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will  
be charged only one half the amount of the  
first week's charge. Advertisements for  
half a year and longer will be allowed a  
deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount,  
and contracts for more favourable terms  
can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish  
Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all  
the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore,  
Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the  
Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru  
and other places which Chinese frequent.  
When the list of Agents is completed,  
it will be published. Agents have been  
already established in most of the above  
places, and in important ports more than  
one agent has been appointed at each.

CHUN AYIN,  
Manager.

Hongkong, February 23, 1874.

## Intimations.

W. BALL,  
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PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,  
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf,  
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

IN THE GOODS OF  
GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS,  
Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Cre-  
ditors and other Persons, having any  
CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against  
the Estate of GEORGE UNDERHILL  
SANDS, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Pa-  
tent Slip Proprietor and Ship-builder, who  
died at Victoria aforesaid on the 30th  
day of October, 1877, and whose Will was  
duly proved, Probate whereof was granted  
to WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, of Victoria  
aforesaid, Esquire, the Executor therein  
named by the Supreme Court of Hong-  
kong, in its Probate Jurisdiction on the  
8th day of November, 1877, are hereby re-  
quired to send, in writing, the particulars  
of their Claims or Demands to the said  
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES at his address  
aforesaid, or to the Underigned WILLIAM  
HENRY BREBETON, the Solicitor of the  
said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, at the  
office of the said Wm. Henry Brebeton,  
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before  
the 1st day of May, 1878.

And notice is hereby given that at the ex-  
piration of the last mentioned day, the said  
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES will proceed to  
distribute the assets of the said GEORGE  
UNDERHILL SANDS amongst the parties  
entitled thereto, having regard to the  
Claims of which the said WILLIAM HOWELL  
FORBES shall then have had notice; and  
that the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES  
will not be liable for the assets, or any part  
thereof, so distributed, to any person of  
whose Claim the said WILLIAM HOWELL  
FORBES shall not have had notice at the  
time of the distribution.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1878.

WM. H. BREBETON,  
Solicitor for the said  
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN OF CAPITAL at  
the Rate of FIVE TAELS per  
SHARE will be made to Shareholders of  
record on the 1st October, Payable at the  
Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst.  
Warrants will be delivered by the Under-  
signed to Shareholders or their lawful  
representatives on presentation of Share  
Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th  
Instant, Inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Liquidators.  
Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

## Insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of  
China and Japan, and at Singapore,  
Siam and Penang.  
Claims accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES,  
JAS. B. COUGHRAN,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on  
Coals in Marts, or on Goods on board  
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-  
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be re-  
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to  
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against FIRE to the extent of  
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored  
therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## Insurances.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOC-  
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....Tls. 420,000  
PERMANENT RESERVE.....280,000  
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....75,000  
Total Capital and accumula-  
tions this date.....Tls. 775,000

Directors:  
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman,  
M. W. BOYD, Esq., C. KREBS, Esq.,  
M. P. EVANS, Esq., C. LUGAR, Esq.

Secretaries:  
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.  
London Bankers:  
Messrs. BARNES BROTHERS & Co.  
Agencies in:  
HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and  
the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to  
all parts of the World, at current  
rates.

Subject to a charge of 12% for interest  
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS  
OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be  
annually distributed among all Contribu-  
tors of Business in proportion to the  
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ocl

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE

POLICIES granted at current rates on  
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.  
In accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits  
are distributed annually to Contributors,  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premium contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

OLYTHARP & Co.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above  
Company, are prepared to grant In-  
surances at current rates.

MELOERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE  
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and  
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1808.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong  
for the above Company, are prepared  
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the  
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or  
on Merchandise in the same, at the  
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20  
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors:

KWOK ACHONG, Merchant.  
PANG YIM, Merchant.  
HO SAM, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.  
LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.  
LEE SING, of Lai King Firm, Merchant.  
CHANG SING YONG, Merchant.  
CHOW CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on  
Buildings and on Goods stored  
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to  
DISCOUNT OF 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, 48, Bankman Street.

Hongkong, August 23, 1877. an23

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER  
OF

His Majesty King George The First,  
A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either  
here, in London or at the principal Ports  
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at  
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Hongkong, July 25, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER  
AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1869.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at  
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the  
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked S., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.  
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Class.	Flag.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Albay	5 h	F. Ashton	Brit. str.	366	Jan. 14	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Holhow & Halphong at daylight
Amoy	5 c	Drewes	Brit. str.	876	Jan. 8	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai K'loon Dock
Bombay	5 c	Briscos	Brit. str.	1079	Jan. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama To-day
Carnegie	2 h	Wharton	Brit. str.	95	Oct. 2	Kwok Acheong	Saloon
Caribbrooke	2 h	Langer	Ger. str.	986	Oct. 19	Man Hing Chan	Cooktown at daylight
Cassandra	4 c	Johnson	Brit. str.	937	Jan. 14	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Shanghai 19th, noon
Charlton	3 c	Johnson	Brit. str.	738	Jan. 15	Hop Kee & Co.	W. P. S. S. Co.
City of Peking	3 h	Barnes	Amer. str.	5079	Jan. 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Shanghai To-day
Cyprian	4 h	Wood	Brit. str.	1290	Jan. 14	R. K. & W. P. S. Co.	Europe, &c. To-morrow
Fame	6 h	Stopan	Brit. str.	117	Dec. 23	H. Kier & Co.	Yokohama
Flintshire	5 c	Thomas	Brit. str.	1243	Dec. 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai
Geelong	5 c	Fraser	Brit. str.	1125	Jan. 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai
Holyrood	5 h	Peters	Brit. str.	333	Jan. 15	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai
Kelshew	2 h	Peters	Brit. str.	117	Dec. 15	Kwok Acheong	Shanghai
Malacca	5 c	Smith	Brit. str.	1104	Jan. 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai
Marcel	3 c	Broker	Brit. str.	1080	Jan. 12	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai
Mariville	5 c	Munoz	Span. str.	369	Oct. 18	Remedios & Co.	Shanghai
Mongolia	2 h	Coleman	Brit. str.	1868	Jan. 15	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai
Norna	2 h	Walker	Brit. str.	613	Jan. 15	Kwok Acheong	Shanghai
Panay	5 h	Goyneches	Span. str.	600	Oct. 30	Remedios & Co.	Shanghai
Sea Gull	5 h	Roberts	Brit. str.	48	Sept. 19	Insurance Company	Shanghai
Sun Naming	5 h	Drage	Brit. str.	714	Dec. 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai
Taiwan	5 h	Young	Brit. str.	498	Jan. 12	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Shanghai
Wash	5 h	Hunter	Brit. str.	285	Jan. 14	Landstain & Co.	Shanghai
Yesso	5 h	S. Ashton	Brit. str.	559	Nov. 22	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Shanghai

Sailing Vessels							
Ada Wiswell	2 h	Wiswell	Amer. sm. sc.	558	Nov. 28	Captain	
Adelina & Marianne	2 c	Dahl	Ger. bge.	300	Jan. 7	Wm. Pustan & Co.	
Alden Bessie	2 c	Noyes	Amer. bge.	842	Dec. 27	Rosario & Co.	
Alexandra	8 c	Elliot	Brit. bge.	407	Nov. 28	Douglas Laprak & Co.	
Alphington	3 c	Cunningham	Brit. bge.	326	Sept. 6	Wielers & Co.	
Amie Florence	3 c	Johnson	Brit. bge.	667	Dec. 8	Borneo Co., Limited	
Angeles	2 c	Barbeyron	Fch. bge.	891	Nov. 14	Carlowitz & Co.	
Anna	8 h	Jessen	Ger. bge.	447	Jan. 7	Edmund Schellhaus & Co.	
Annie Lowray	4 c	Gales	Brit. bge.	752	Jan. 4	Chinese	
Annie M. Small	2 c	Packer	Amer. sh.	1053	Dec. 4	Russell & Co.	
Aspens	7 h	Wandel	Amer. bltkline.	455	Dec. 10	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
B. F. Watson	3 h	Hawkins	Dan. bge.	265	Dec. 4	Edward Schellhaus & Co.	
Beethoven	3 h	Haje	Amer. bge.	993	Nov. 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Birkor	3 h	Haje	Ger. bge.	840	Nov. 25	Melchers & Co.	
Brisbane	4 c	Reynolds	Brit. sh.	1003	Dec. 11	Order	
Broomhall	4 c	Hudleston	Brit. sh.	384	Dec. 17	Russell & Co.	
Carl Ritter	7 h	Bate	Brit. sh.	1879	Oct. 28	Meyer & Co.	
Ceres	4 c	Lausen	Ger. bge.	596	Jan. 5	Siemssen & Co.	
Charlotte Andrews	4 c	Specht	Ger. bge.	420	Jan. 5	Wm. Pustan & Co.	
Charter Oak	3 c	Beattie	Brit. bge.	853	Nov. 30	Rosario & Co.	
Churnum	3 c	Staples	Amer. sh.	963	Oct. 24	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
City of Halifax	3 h	Shrewsbury	Brit. sh.	1884	Sept. 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
Clara	8 c	Evans	Brit. sh.	860	Dec. 24	Meyer & Co.	
Coraan	8 c	Chalmers	Brit. sh.	938	Nov. 7	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Dauphin	8 h	Vincent	Amer. sch.	150	Sept. 25	Insurance Co.	
E. von Beaulieu	3 c	Lehmanns	Fch. bge.	818	Jan. 7	Edward Schellhaus & Co.	
Echo	3 c	Schneider	Ger. bge.	338	Jan. 6	Edmund Schellhaus & Co.	
Falcon	3 c	Tozer	Brit. bge.	369	Dec. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Fanny	8 h	Barry	Brit. bge.	798	Dec. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Faugh-a-Balaugh	4 c	Degomson	Fch. bge.	313	Jan. 12	Carlowitz & Co.	
Ferdinand	7 c	Riste	Ger. bge.	240	Jan. 13	Carlowitz & Co.	
Florence	8 h	Fraser	Brit. bge.	449	Dec. 20	Tak Mee	
Fortune	2 h	Robertson	Slam. bge.	449	Dec. 20	Tak Mee	
Georgina	4 c	Romney	Brit. bge.	315	Jan. 2	Wm. Pustan & Co.	
Glanconashire	4 c	McEachern	Brit. bge.	456	Dec. 2	H. Kier & Co.	
Glenfruin	2 h	Lang	Brit. bge.	473	Dec. 29	Chinese	
Glory	2 h	Thompson	Slam. bge.	550	Nov. 14	Tak Mee	
Golden Spur	4 c	Farrell	Brit. sh.	658	Dec. 22	Meyer & Co.	
Gracie	2 c	Ward	Brit. bge.	300	Jan. 7	Wm. Pustan & Co.	
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